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	barracks in the camp and a very small hospital, although a large new being built. The gold mines were about one kilometer from the camp.	25X1
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5.	Gornyak Camp (sic), in the neighborhood of Butygychak (N 61-19, E 140 the Berlag (bere govye lagera - coastal camps) complex and was of lagrankt (subcamp). A camp may have from two to six subcamps.)-11), was pert of nly a
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6.	The camp was on top of a hill, some 400 meters high, and contained a male political prisoners. The majority were Ukrainians and Balts, be were also Germans, Chinese, Poles, Hungarians, Rumanians, Japanese, South Koreans, and Russians from the Caucasus and Central Asia. The three two-story barracks, built of stone, with heavy metal grills in	North and camp had
	windows. The term kastrit refers to an ore which contains lead and several other	e Russian 25X1
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7.	Belovo (N 61-18, E 148-51) is about 70 kilometers from imeni Matrosc 90 kilometers north of Butygyclak, and 18 kilometers west of the majon a small river. Not far south of Belovo, there was an avtobaza where trucks and heavy equipment for use in the woods and the mines.	n highway,
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